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(for nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR § 1.114)

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in connection with the above-identified patent application are the following:

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
a. Previously submitted
i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
iii. Other
b. Enclosed i. Amendment/Reply ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (* pgs) with 1449 (* pg) and all listed documents iv. Other:
2. MISCELLANEOUS
a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) b. Other
3. FEES
 a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, and any additional fees required to process this request to Deposit Account No. 50-1947 referencing Attorney Docket No. *. Copy of request enclosed. i RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). [\$770.00/\$385.00] \$385.00
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iii Other: Additional claims fee \$86.00
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